

[Judge Henry Bethune Philips]

[Life - ? Red Bank ? ???? ?]

June 6, 1940.

Mrs. H. B. Philips

1950 Large Place,

[So.?] Jacksonville,

Florida.

Personal Interview

(Continued)

Rose [Shepherd, Writer?]

[RED BANK PLANTATION?]

[JUDGE HENRY BETHUNE PHILIPS?]

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"This is an interesting document," said Mrs. [Philips?], exhibiting a discolored legal length sheet of closely written items. "It is a bill presented to the United States Government after the War between the States, when it was [rumored?] that Southerners would be reimbursed for the loss of their slaves through the [Emancipation?] Act, signed and sworn to by [Ablbert Gallatin Philips?], of [Red?] Bank."

AFFIDAVIT AND SCHEDULE OF LOSSES SUSTAINED BY ALBERT G. PHILIPS BY THE ACTS [OF?] THE UNITED STATES [FORCES?] DURING THE WAR BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND [THE CONFEDERATE?] STATES IN THE YEARS 1862 AND 1863.

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Confederate States of [America?])

(

District of Florida,) To Wit:

On this 20th day of January, 1863, before [me?], a [Commissioner?] of the Confederate States for the St. Johns River Subdivision of [Eastern?] Florida, personally appeared Albert G. Philips, who, being duly sworn, [deposes?] and says:

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That he is a citizen of the State of Florida, living on his plantation in Florida in the County of Duval in said State; that the month of January, 1862, the negro boy, [Adams?], named in the accompanying schedule, was received on board one of the gunboats of the United States, lying in the St. John River, Florida, and was thence harbored and carried away from the deponent, his owner.

In the month of July, 1862, the negro slaves, William, Peter, and Nero, were also received on board one of the gunboats of the United States, [lying?] in the St. Johns River, and [were?] thereon harbored; and [came away?] from the deponent, their owner.

That in the month of September, 1862, the [Negro slaves Morris?], named in the annexed schedule, the slave William, Peter, and Nero being also named, were [also?] received on

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one of the United States gunboats lying in the St. John River, and was thereon harbored and carried away from the deponent.

That in the month of October, 1862, the remaining slaves in the annexed schedule, [VIS?]:

Sophy, Diana, Susan, Harriet, Jimmie, Louisa, Billie, [Avy?], Frank, [Hester?], Jane, Richard, Maria, Nancy, [Sam?], Baby, Tom, Thomas Hodges, Raphilia, George, Clark, Aaron, John, Betty, Julia, Henry, Stephen, [Nanny?], Charlotte, Harry, Delia, Dave, Ann, [Emmaline?] were forced to leave the premises [of?] the [deponent?], and to go upon the gunboat of the United States then lying off the said premises near the town of Jacksonville by being conveyed from the landing of the deponent to the gunboat in small boats.

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Deponent further declares that in the month of March, 1863, certain forces of the United States landing from the gunboat on the premises of the deponent and did take from and carry away all the other property named in the annexed schedule.

[By?] this [act?] and the other [acts?] narrated above, [causing?] a loss to the deponent to the full extent stated in the annexed schedule.

Deponent further alleges that he is the true and lawful owner of the property [enumerated?], and that the [valuations?] / of [same?] in the annexed schedule are just and true, the same forming a part of this affidavit.

) S (ALBERT G. PHILIPS

Sworn to me the day above written.

) S ([COLUMBUS?] DREW

Commissioner of the Confederate States

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SCHEDULE OF [ALBERT G. PHILIPS?]

Negro Slave, Adam Age 33 Mill [Hand?] \$1,800.

“ ” William ” 26 [Mechanic?] 2,800.

“ ” Peter 20 [Farmer?] 2,400.

“ ” Nero 21 “ 2,200.

“ ” Morris 18 “ 2,000.

“ ” Sofy 49 Cook 1,400.

“ ” Diana [15?] House Girl 1,800.

“ ” Susan 12 ” “ 1,600.

“ ” Harriet 20 Field Hand 1,200.

“ ” Jimmy 18 Plough Boy 2,000.

“ ” Louisa 13 House Girl 1,800.

“ ” Billy 11 1,000.

“ ” Eddy 9 800.

“ ” Frank 7 800.

“ ” Hester 32 Field Hand 1,200.

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“ ” [Janie?] 19 ” “ 1,600.

“ ” Richard 2 Janie's Child 400.

“ ” Maria 13 House Servant 1,800.

“ ” Nancy 11 ” “ 1,100.

“ ” Sam 9 800.

“ ” Hester's Baby 6 months old 100.

“ ” Tom 18 Plough Boy 1,900.

“ ” Thomas Hodges 45 Carpenter 3,000.

“ ” Raphila 30 Washerwoman 2,100.

“ ” George 14 [Ostler (Hostlery?)?] 1,800.

“ ” Clark 10 1,000.

“ ” Aaron 7 700.

“ ” John 5 400.

“ ” Billy 50 Field Hand [500?].

“ ” Julia 24 ” “ 1,000.

“ ” Henry 9 900.

“ ” Stephen 6 600.

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“ ” Nancy 30 ” “ 500.

“ ” Charlotte [25?] ” “ [1,000?].

“ ” Harry [5?] (Her Child) 600.

“ ” Adelia 2 ” “ 300.

“ ” Dave 35 Mill Hand 2,500.

“ ” [Emelin?] 28 House Servant 2,000.

900 pounds Sugar at 30¢ 270.

2 Mules 700.

1 Horse 300.

1 [Boat?] 50.

1 Boat 45.

2 Boats at \$25.00 each 50.

64 Window [Fastenings?] at \$1.00 each 64.

20 Yards Homespun at 1.50 per yard 30.

Forceps and [Gold?] Pen and Pencil 10.

TOTAL ——— \$53,119.00

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[TESTIMONY OF MARGARET ANN PHILIPS?]:

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WITNESS resides on the plantation of Albert [G.?] Philips in Duval County, State of Florida, has seen the affidavit of Albert G. Philips in regard to his losses by the acts of the United States forces; is familiar with the facts stated therein and knows them to be true; know that the said Albert G. Philips is the true and lawful owner of the property named in the schedule and that the valuations of the same are true and just.)S(MARGARET ANN PHILIPS (X) Her mark)

Sworn to before me this 20th day of June, 1863

(SS(COLUMBUS DREW,

Commr. [CS?] S. District Court,

Lake City, Florida, June 20, 1867.

I hereby certify that the papers pertaining to the losses of Albert G. Philips are authentic, and that the testimony is entitled to have credit

)S(COLUMBUS DREW

Commr^{3/4} C. S. District Court.